PIERCE TRANSIT **RIDER ALERT**

June 8, 2003

Service Change

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Look for improvements on these routes:

6th Avenue/Pacific Ave — THE 25 AND 46 NOW COMBINED!

11 Point Defiance
13 N 30th St
200 Bridgeport
202 72nd St
204 Lakewood/Parkland
402 Meridian
411 Pierce College/Puyallup
413 Wildwood
490 South Hill/Tacoma Express
Downtown Connector
582 Bonney Lake/Tacoma Express
586 Tacoma/UW Express
Olympia Express

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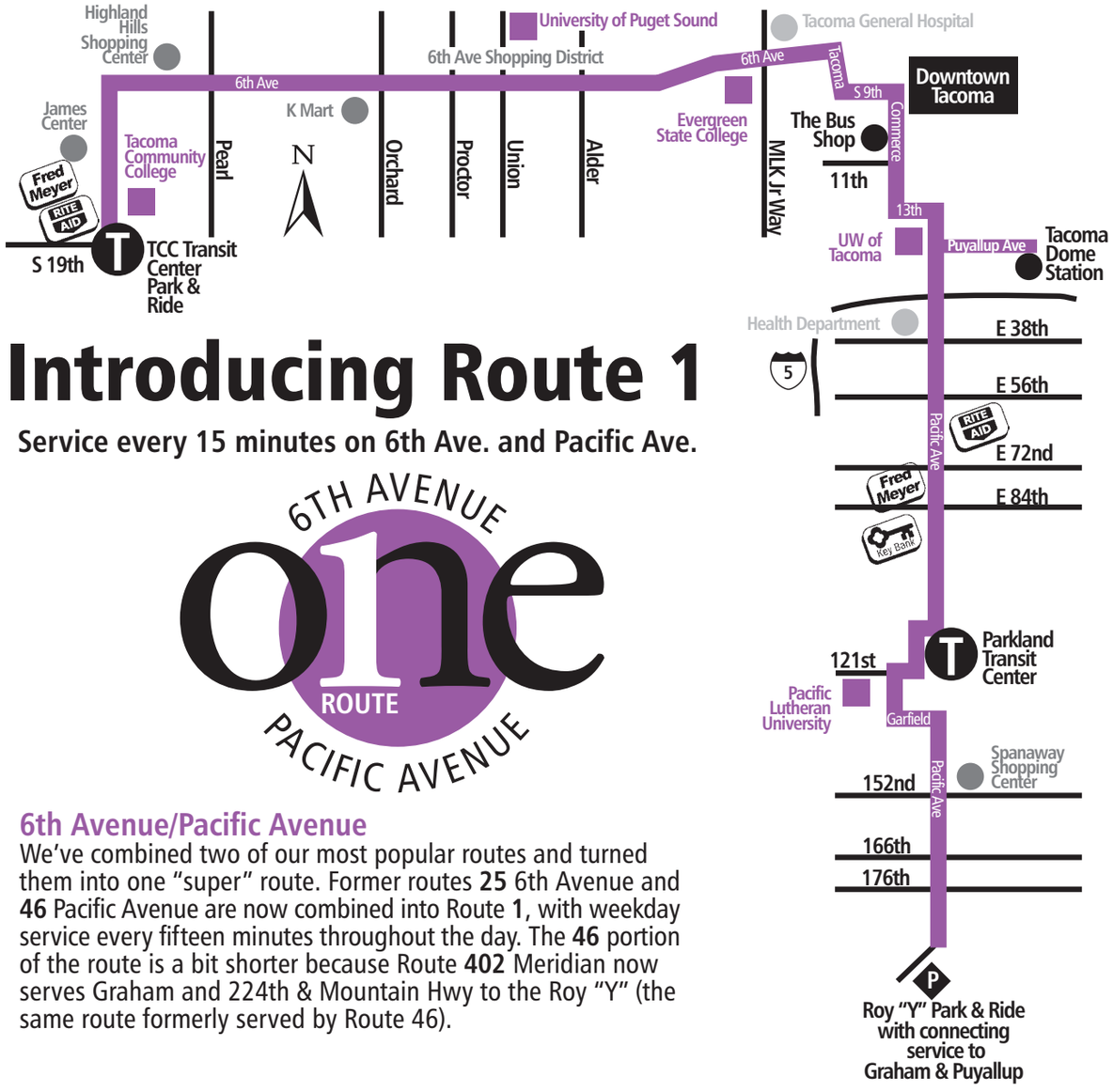
All changes are in the June 8th edition of *The Bus Stops Here*.



Introducing Route 1

Service every 15 minutes on 6th Ave. and Pacific Ave.

6TH AVENUE one ROUTE PACIFIC AVENUE

6th Avenue/Pacific Avenue

We've combined two of our most popular routes and turned them into one "super" route. Former routes **25** 6th Avenue and **46** Pacific Avenue are now combined into Route **1**, with weekday service every fifteen minutes throughout the day. The **46** portion of the route is a bit shorter because Route **402** Meridian now serves Graham and 224th & Mountain Hwy to the Roy "Y" (the same route formerly served by Route 46).

11 Point Defiance & 13 N 30th St

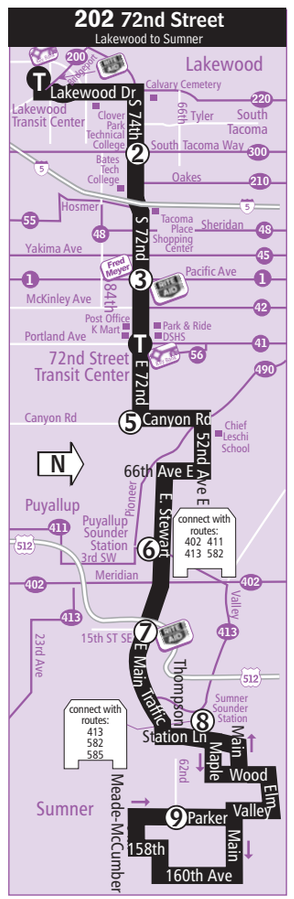
These routes provide timed connections to and from the Sounder train at Tacoma Dome Station. At other times of the day, these routes serve TDS at staggered times. This provides travel time options for certain North Tacoma neighborhoods that are within walking distance of either route.

200 Bridgeport

We've scheduled the first trip from the Lakewood Transit Center to leave earlier so it connects better with Route **27** S 19th Street at Tacoma Community College.

202 72nd St

We've adjusted the schedule to improve connections with routes **402** Meridian and **582** Bonney Lake/Tacoma express. Route **202** has been modified near the Sumner Senior Center. See map to right.



204 Lakewood/Parkland

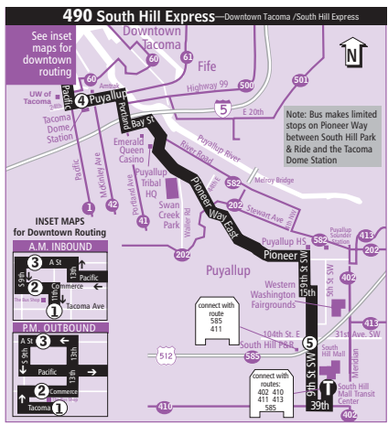
This route continues to operate on a detour due to construction on South 112th Street. This route makes no stops between the SR-512 Park & Ride and Steele Street in either direction.

402 Meridian
We've adjusted the schedule to improve connections with Routes **202** 72nd Street and **582** Bonney Lake/Tacoma Express at the Puyallup Sounder Station. This route has been extended to serve Graham and 224th & Mountain Hwy to the Roy "Y" (Formerly served by Route 46).
Route **402** turns into Route **1** on all trips allowing for transfer free service from South Hill and Graham to Pacific Ave, Downtown Tacoma and along 6th Ave to Tacoma Community College.

411 Pierce College/Puyallup
A new trip has been added from the South Hill Mall Transit Center to Pierce College on South Hill at 8:15 p.m. The afternoon schedule has adjustments to improve connections with Sounder trains and to improve on-time performance.

413 Wildwood
The afternoon schedule has been adjusted to improve connections at the South Hill Mall Transit Center and offer more afternoon service on Valley Ave.

490 South Hill/Tacoma Express
For the convenience of downtown Puyallup riders, bus stops have been added along Pioneer Way between 11th & Fruitland.



Downtown Connector
A stop has been added in front of Freighthouse Square. This service will be discontinued when Link Light Rail begins operations in late summer. The Link start date has not yet been chosen, but will occur during this service change.

582 Bonney Lake/Tacoma Express
Minor schedule adjustments have been made to adjust for actual running times.

586 Tacoma/UW Express
A new northbound trip will leave 10th & Commerce at 5:44 a.m. and a new southbound trip will leave NE 45th & University Way NE at 5:43 p.m. Because of reduced demand in the summer, the southbound 1:35 trip is discontinued until September 2003.

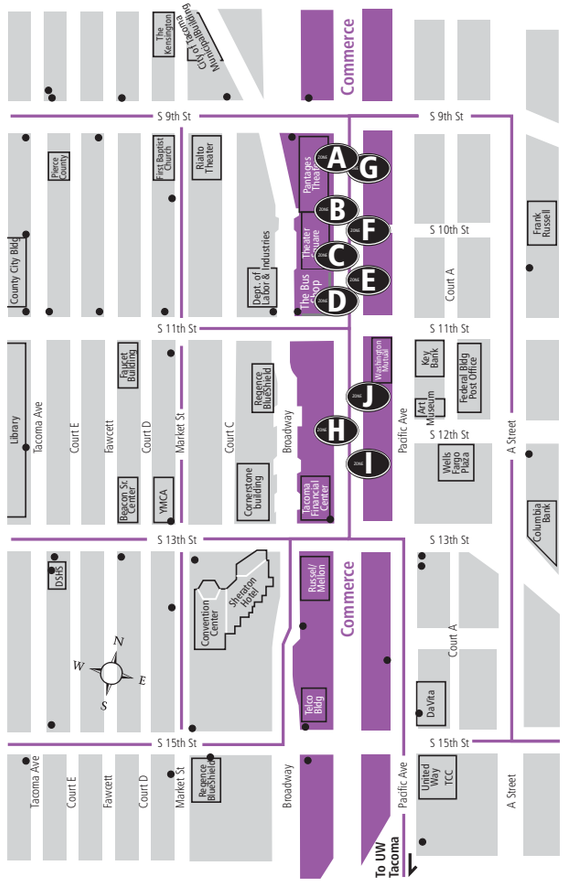
Olympia Express
Service to and from the Purdy Park and Ride has been discontinued. All southbound Route 601 trips will begin at the Kimball Drive Park & Ride. The northbound **601** trip leaving Olympia Transit Center at 6:10 p.m. will end at Tacoma Community College.

All Pierce transit operated **603** Olympia Express trips are renumbered as Route **603A**. This route will travel between Downtown Tacoma, SR-512 Park & Ride and Downtown Olympia. Pierce Transit will no longer provide service to the Lacey Transit Center or the Quinault Park & Ride. These two facilities will continue to be served by Intercity Transit.

Pierce Transit will continue to provide service to the Martin Way Park & Ride on all **603A** trips.

We're Back

A reminder that Pierce Transit is back on Commerce Street in downtown Tacoma. You'll find this location to be central and convenient. Look for improved signage which shows routes and destinations, as well as improved lighting. The Bus Shop is open from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday.



Ride Pierce Transit all summer long* for just $36. That's a savings of $45 compared to buying a monthly pass. (*June, July, August). This pass is valid on local service only for youth ages 6-18.

In addition to Pierce Transit Bus Shop locations, Summer Youth Passes are available at any Pierce County Rite Aid, Fred Meyer or Key Bank. Passes go on sale May 20th.

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